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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Applicants hereby request entry of the following amendment prior to examination of
the above-referenced application:



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TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith are:

Preliminary Amendment (7 pgs.)
Two (2) sheets of Annotated Marked-Up Drawings
Five (5) sheets of Formal Drawings, including two (2) Replacement Sheets showing
amendments to Figures 3 and 8
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STATUS

2. Applicant

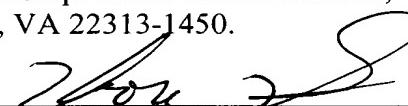
claims small entity status.
 is other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/> first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Second month	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00
<input type="checkbox"/> third month	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Fourth month	\$ 1,480.00	\$ 740.00
<input type="checkbox"/> fifth month	\$ 2,010.00	\$1,005.00

Fee Due \$

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- An extension of _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____.

OR

- (b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)		SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		ADDITIONAL. RATE FEE		ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	
TOTAL INDEP.		MINUS		=	X \$9 =	\$		x \$18 =	\$
		MINUS		=	X \$43 =	\$		x \$86 =	\$
<u> </u> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$145 =	\$		+ \$290 =	\$
					TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE	\$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE	\$

(a) No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

(b) Total additional fee for claims required \$

FEE PAYMENT

5. Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____

Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$_____.
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

FEE DEFICIENCY

6. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

AND/OR

If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

7. Other:



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